

YouGov / NEU Survey Results

Sample Size: 1017 Labour Party members
Fieldwork: 2nd - 8th June 2023

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Do you think this scheme currently goes too far or not far enough, or is the current scheme about right?

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| Goes too far | 2 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Current scheme is about right | 14 | 36 | 15 | 11 | 14 | 18 | 12 | 13 | 15 | 12 | 22 | 15 | 17 | 10 | 12 | 17 |
| Does not go far enough | 81 | 59 | 74 | 85 | 83 | 72 | 84 | 80 | 82 | 83 | 67 | 76 | 78 | 86 | 84 | 72 |
| Don't know | 3 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 11 |

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To what extent, if at all, would you support or oppose Free School Meals being extended to include each of the following?

All state primary school children

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| Strongly support | 65 | 60 | 61 | 64 | 70 | 61 | 67 | 67 | 62 | 65 | 59 | 70 | 60 | 71 | 64 | 62 |
| Tend to support | 24 | 20 | 25 | 24 | 22 | 24 | 23 | 21 | 27 | 24 | 20 | 16 | 26 | 19 | 28 | 30 |
| TOTAL SUPPORT | 89 | 80 | 86 | 88 | 92 | 85 | 90 | 88 | 89 | 89 | 79 | 86 | 86 | 90 | 92 | 92 |
| Tend to oppose | 7 | 14 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 9 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 15 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 5 |
| Strongly oppose | 2 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| TOTAL OPPOSE | 9 | 20 | 10 | 8 | 7 | 12 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 18 | 11 | 11 | 7 | 7 | 5 |
| Don't know | 2 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 |

All state school children (i.e. primary and secondary)

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| Strongly support | 41 | 47 | 45 | 42 | 35 | 45 | 39 | 43 | 38 | 41 | 43 | 49 | 33 | 46 | 41 | 35 |
| Tend to support | 40 | 45 | 36 | 37 | 47 | 38 | 41 | 39 | 42 | 40 | 37 | 33 | 45 | 37 | 42 | 43 |
| TOTAL SUPPORT | 81 | 92 | 81 | 79 | 82 | 83 | 80 | 82 | 80 | 81 | 80 | 82 | 78 | 83 | 83 | 78 |
| Tend to oppose | 11 | 1 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 9 | 11 | 9 | 13 | 11 | 13 | 10 | 13 | 9 | 10 | 10 |
| Strongly oppose | 3 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| TOTAL OPPOSE | 14 | 1 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 11 | 14 | 12 | 15 | 14 | 16 | 12 | 18 | 10 | 12 | 10 |
| Don't know | 6 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 11 |

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Imagine Labour were to form the next Government and committed to delivering free school meals for ****all primary school children****. Do you think this is a good idea or the wrong priority for the present time?

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|------------------------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Good idea | 83 | 83 | 84 | 82 | 86 | 84 | 83 | 85 | 81 | 84 | 77 | 86 | 78 | 84 | 86 | 88 |
| Wrong priority for this time | 13 | 17 | 13 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 12 | 15 | 13 | 22 | 13 | 19 | 14 | 9 | 7 |
| Don't know | 3 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 6 |

And if the Labour Party were to promote just one of either Free School Meals or breakfast clubs in their next manifesto, which would you prefer?

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| Free School Meals for all primary school children | 72 | 76 | 77 | 68 | 74 | 76 | 71 | 74 | 70 | 73 | 70 | 76 | 70 | 75 | 70 | 79 |
| Breakfast clubs for all primary school children | 21 | 17 | 19 | 24 | 18 | 19 | 22 | 20 | 22 | 21 | 16 | 15 | 22 | 20 | 25 | 13 |
| Neither | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Don't know | 4 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 8 |